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Re:

STB [I.C.C.] Finance Docket No. 32549 (BURLINGTON NORTHERN, INC. – CONTROL AND MERGER – SANTA FE PAC. CORP. & ATCHESON, TOPEKA & SANTA FE RY. CO.)

Dear Mr. Williams:

Pursuant to Section 1104.7 of the regulations of the Surface Transportation Board, enclosed for filing is an original of the following pleading:

UNOPPOSED MOTION OF BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Also enclosed is a proposed order. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Munro

cc: Michael S. Wolly, Esq.

BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD



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UNOPPOSED MOTION OF BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Section 1104.7 of the regulations of the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board"), 49 C.F.R. § 1104.7, BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") files this motion for extension of time to file its dispositive motion in the above-captioned proceeding.

In the Report and Proposed Schedule filed by the parties on November 29, 2005, the parties proposed a deadline of March 2, 2006 for dispositive motions. Lead counsel for BNSF has been called for jury duty during the week of February 20-24, and, in the last two weeks, has received orders from courts in two other matters that require attendance at hearings prior to March 2 and otherwise demand immediate attention. Accordingly, consistent with 49 C.F.R. § 1104.7, good cause exists for the extension of the deadline for submission of dispositive motions.

Counsel for BLET has authorized counsel for BNSF to represent that BLET does not oppose BNSF's request. BNSF and BLET contemplate that any extension of time granted by the Board for filing of dispositive motions would apply equally to both sides.

Accordingly, BNSF requests a 7-day extension of the deadline to file its brief. The new proposed deadline would be March 9, 2006. The new deadline for filing responses to dispositive motions would be March 24, 2006. A proposed order is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a copy of the attached Motion for Extension of Time to File was duly served upon counsel of record for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen by hand delivery this 23rd day of February, 2006, at the following address:

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ORDER

Upon consideration of the motion for an extension of time from BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF"), it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. BNSF's extension request is granted. Dispositive motions shall be filed on or before March 9, 2006, and replies to dispositive motions shall be filed on or before March 24, 2006.
 - 2. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.